noticed that they were filled with cupboards and book-shelves: here and there she saw maps and pictures hung upon pegs. She took down a jar from one of the shelves as she passed: it was labeled "ORANGE MARMALADE," but to her great disappointment it was empty: she did not like to drop the jar, for fear of killing somebody underneath, so managed to put it into one of the cupboards as she fell past it.

"Well!" thought Alice to herself. "After such a fall as this, I shall think nothing of tumbling down-stairs! How brave they'll all think me at home! Why, I wouldn't say anything about it, even if I fell off the top of the house!" (Which was very likely true.)

Down, down, down. Would the fall *never* come to an end? "I wonder how many miles I've fallen by this time?" she said aloud. "I must be getting somewhere near the centre of the earth. Let me see: that would be four thousand miles down, I think—" (for, you see, Alice had learnt several things of this sort in her lessons in the school-room, and though this was not a *very* good opportunity for showing off her knowledge, as there was no one to listen to her, still it was good practice to say it over)"—yes, that's about the right distance—but then I wonder what Latitude or Longi-

tude I've got to?" (Alice had
idea what Latitude was, or Long
she thought they were nice gran

Presently she began again. "I
fall right *through* the earth! How
to come out among the people tha
heads downwards! The antipathi
(she was rather glad there *was* no
time, as it didn't sound at all
"—but I shall have to ask them
of the country is, you know. P
this New Zealand? Or Australia?
to curtsey as she spoke—fancy, *cu*
falling through the air! Do you
manage it?) "And what an ig
she'll think me for asking! No,
ask: perhaps I shall see it written

Down, down, down. There wa
do, so Alice soon began talking a
miss me very much to-night, I
(Dinah was the cat.) "I hope t
her saucer of milk at tea-time. I
I wish you were down here with
no mice in the air, I'm afraid, but
a bat, and that's very like a mo
But do cats eat bats, I wonder?"
began to get rather sleepy, and w

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